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# GREATER ALBUQUERQUE BICYCLING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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> MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 12, 2015

# **Members Present**

Scott Hale, Chair

Ed Hillsman

Douglas Stiebler Moises Gonzales

Diane Albert

## **Staff Present**

Debbie Bauman, COA-DMD
Josef Hansen, COA-DMD
Chuck Malagodi, COA-Parks and Recreation
Hugh Hulse, COA-Parks and Recreation
Gilbert Sanchez, NMDOT, District 3
Julie Luna, MRCOG
Carrie Barkhurst, COA, Planning

#### **Members Absent**

Bruce Farmer Larry Gilbert

# **Guests**

John Barncastle Dianne Cress Mark Aasmundstad

- Mr. Hale called the meeting to order
- The presence of a Quorum was established
- Welcome and Introductions
- Approval of the January 12, 2015 Agenda
  A motion was made to approve the modified agenda; motion passed.

#### • Public Comment

Mr. Barncastle provided a summary of issues associated with the reconstruction of the PdN/I-25 Interchange and described the 15 issues that have yet to be resolved.

#### • Announcements

James Lewis, who was the staff person for Parks and Rec., Trails has accepted another position. His vacancy has been posted.

The Chair encouraged advocacy groups to participate in the public comment opportunities provided with the development of the 2040 MTP. In addition, he encouraged the community to comment on bicycle accessibility issues associated with the PdN/I-25 improvements.

# • Staff Reports

Julie Luna mentioned that the MTP 2040 had a public meeting on December 5. MTB will meet on this coming Friday.

Carrie Barkhurst announced the schedule for the advancement of the Bikeways and Trails Facility Plan. It is anticipated that the upcoming meeting of LUPZ will defer the Plan, and will discuss the project again at the February 11<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Chuck Malagodi provided an update on the activities of Esperanza Bike Shop: 294 bikes have been given away via the "Earn a Bike" Program; 3,508 individuals participated in the Open Shop.

### • Discussion/Actions

Diane Albert expressed concern that the Bernalillo County Commission was scheduled to hear a request from staff to approve a list of projects requesting federal funding. None of the projects included in that list related to bicycle issues were presented to the Committee. The bicycle community was not informed.

# MLK Improvements......Andrew Varoz, DMD Engineering

This was the third presentation on the proposed improvements. Mr. Varoz presented more details as to the "Copenhagen left" that is proposed at the Broadway intersection. The Committee requested that he come back to the next meeting to show the proposed typical section for the full corridor.

It was discussed that public education will be necessary prior to the installation of the improvements. Mr. Malagodi mentioned that there had been previous efforts to make the public aware of this type of improvement, but it was not successful. The Committee discussed why that information wasn't successful.

The schedule for Bicycle Facility Tours was established.

Committee Member Doug Steibler reported on his involvement with the

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NMDOT Rio Bravo/I25 Improvement Project. The Committee was concerned about how the COA University Boulevard Improvements related to the NMDOT project. It was requested that the consultants for both projects meet to discuss and then report back to the Committee.

The Committee requested that DMD staff be available at the next meeting to discuss issues associated with impacts to bicycle facilities from construction projects. Mr. Hillsman wondered if it was possible to include an incentive or disincentive condition for contractors involved in construction projects.

Facility Audits were discussed. It was requested that the City purchase equipment that would aide bicyclists who travel facilities within the City to document and provide information to City staff. It was further discussed that a checklist should be developed for those who are documenting the sufficiency of facilities.

# • Adjourn (6:55)